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In re Application of
Tsukamoto et al.
Application No. 10/500,319
Patent No.: 7,148,250
Filed: November 22, 2004
Attorney Docket No/20595.128

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: DECISION GRANTING PETITION
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This decision is in response to applicants' "Application for Patent Term Adjustment Under 37 CFR 1.705 filed Feb. 9, 2007 requesting that the Office adjust the Patent Term Adjustment from a determination at the time of the issuance of the patent from eighty-three(83) days to one hundred and twenty three-days (123) days.

The applicants' request for an adjustment is **GRANTED**. The Office will *sua sponte* issue a certificate of correction making the adjustment change from eighty-three (83) days to (123) days. The Office will also change the PAIR determination to be consistent with this decision.

The applicants contest the reduction of patent term of forty (40) days after the mailing of the notice of allowance for the submission of an IDS. Applicants argue that the IDS was in fact submitted on June 28, 2004 and October 15, 2004, prior to the mail date of the notice of allowances.

Applicants arguments are persuasive. Applicants did not file an IDS after the mail date of the notice of allowance. Accordingly, the 40 day reduction after the mail date of the notice of allowance is in error. Applicant submitted an amendment pursuant to 37 CFR 1.312 on September 29, 2006 that was responded to by the USPTO on November 2, 2006, a thirty-five day delay. Accordingly, the Office delayed 158 days pursuant to 37 CFR 1.702(a)(1) and applicants delayed 35 days under 37 CFR 1.704(c)(10). Overall, the correct amount of PTA at the time of the mailing of the issuance of the patent is 123 days.

Applicants have submitted the \$200.00 fee. No additional fees are required to determined the application for patent term adjustment.

After the mailing of this decision, the Office will forward this application to the Certificate of Correction branch for a prompt issuance of the certificate of correction.

Any questions concerning this decision should be directed to Kery A. Fries, Office of Patent Legal Administration, Office of Deputy Commission of Patent Examination Policy, at 571-272-7757.

Kery A. Fries

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Office of Patent Legal Administration
Office of Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy

cc: Adjusted Pair Calculation
Draft Certificate of Correction

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DRAFT CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT : 7,148,250 B1
DATED : Dec. 12, 2006
INVENTOR(S) : Tsukamoto et al.

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page,

[*] Notice: Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 USC 154(b) by (83) days

Delete the phrase "by 83 days" and insert – by 123 days--

Day : Monday
Date: 7/9/2007
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PTA Calculations for Application: 10/500319

Application Filing Date:	11/22/2004	PTO Delay (PTO):	158
Issue Date of Patent:	12/12/2006	Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	75
Post-Issue Petitions:	0	Total PTA (days):	123
PTO Delay Adjustment:	40		

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